FISCAL NOTE

Bill #: HB0566 Title: Mandatory reporting of positive drug test to

motor vehicle division

Primary Sponsor: Mendenhall, S Status: As Introduced

Sponsor signature	Date	Chuck Swysgood, Bu	dget Director Date	
Fiscal Summary		FY 2004	FY 2005	
Expenditures: General Fund		<u>Difference</u> \$59,856	<u>Difference</u> \$29,000	
Revenue: General Fund		\$1,800	\$2,400	
Net Impact on General Fund Balance:		(\$58,056)	(\$26,600)	
Significant Local Gov. Impact		∑ Tec	Technical Concerns	
Included in the Executive Budget		Sign	Significant Long-Term Impacts	
Dedicated Revenue Form Attached		⊠ Nee	Needs to be included in HB 2	

Fiscal Analysis

ASSUMPTIONS:

Department of Justice

- 1. Violation of the contract conditions provided in Section 1(4) of this bill results in a \$100 fine.
- 2. The revenues generated from the fine are unknown.
- 3. It is assumed the number of individuals holding commercial drivers licenses who refuse to submit to or fail to successfully pass the mandated drug or alcohol testing would be similar to the number incidences of alcohol violations requiring driver control actions annually. There are approximately 58,000 commercial driver licenses issued in Montana. In calendar year 2002 there were 24 commercial driver licenses suspended for alcohol related violations in Montana.
- 4. It is assumed the number of commercial driver licenses suspended under this bill would be similar to the number of alcohol convictions for commercial drivers. Therefore, 18 commercial driver licenses would be suspended in FY 2004 and 24 in FY 2005, half would contest the suspension, four would appeal to District Court and one would appeal to the Supreme Court.
- 5. Administrative costs will be \$13,500 in FY 2004 and \$18,000 in FY 2005 for the administrative hearings. Costs for appeals in District Court are estimated to be \$6,000 in FY 2004 and \$8,000 in FY 2005. Supreme Court appeals are estimated to cost \$3,000 in FY 2005.

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Administrative Hearings:

 $24 \times .5 = 12 \times .75 = 9 \times \$1,500 = \$13,500 \text{ in FY } 2004$

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District Court Appeals:

 $4 \times .75 = 3 \times \$2,000 = \$6,000 \text{ in FY } 2004$

 $4 \times \$2,000 = \$8,000 \text{ in FY } 2005$

Supreme Court Appeal:

 $1 \times \$3,000 = \$3,000 \text{ in FY } 2005$

- 6. Programming and computer processing costs total \$40,356 in FY 2004. These costs are associated with the creation of a new process to report and track drug test refusals or failures for those with commercial driver licenses and updating the driver license system for these driver license suspensions and reinstatements.
- 7. Reinstatement fee revenues would increase approximately \$1,800 in FY 2004 and \$2,400 in FY 2005. (\$100 x 18 in FY 2004 and \$100 x 24 in FY 2005)

Judicial Branch

- 8. In the New Section 2 (6) an individual can petition for a review of their suspended license to the District Court. It is estimated there would be a minimal number of cases that could impact the court docket of cases waiting to be heard.
- 9. There is no fiscal impact to the Judicial Branch.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Department of Justice Motor Vehicle Division

	FY 2004	FY 2005
	<u>Difference</u>	<u>Difference</u>
Expenditures: Operating Expenses	\$59,856	\$29,000
Funding of Expenditures: General Fund (01)	\$59,856	\$29,000
Revenues: General Fund (01)	\$1,800	\$2,400
Net Impact to Fund Balance (Revenue min General Fund (01)	(\$26,600)	